

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the title, as set forth below: '

Method and ~~Apparatus~~ System Enabling Both Legacy and New Applications To Access
An InfiniBand Fabric Via a Socket API

Please amend paragraph 0002, as set forth below:

[0002] Computer networks typically utilize a TCP/IP (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol) protocol stack or equivalent protocol to provide addressing, as well as to provide error control and flow control. See, e.g., Internet Engineering Task Force Request For Comment (IETF RFC) 791, *Internet Protocol*, and IETF RFC 792 793, *Transmission Control Protocol*. The IP protocol will deliver a packet independently of all other packets; however, the IP protocol does not guarantee delivery of a packet. Among other things, the TCP protocol is utilized to provide guaranteed delivery of a packet. The TCP protocol performs addressing and also provides both error control and flow control. Because the IP protocol does not, by itself, guarantee delivery, thereby necessitating the implementation of a separate protocol (e.g., TCP) for reliable data transfer, there is increased overhead associated with TCP/IP software stack processing. Thus, the TCP/IP protocol stack is a significant source of delay in computer networks, resulting in increased packet latency.